

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Methods and apparatus for continuously producing lignocellulose-containing boards are provided. The methods include providing a mat of disintegrated, glue-coated and dried lignocellulose-containing material, pressing the mat into a board in a steam injection press, conditioning the board by drawing air at a predetermined moisture content and temperature through the board by means of suction applied through the board and grinding the conditioned board to a final thickness directly following the conditioning step.

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